(Amended) A system for processing a semiconductor device, the system comprising:

a processing chamber; and

a first plate positioned within said processing chamber and defining a first internal cavity configured to receive a first gas through a first passage into said first internal cavity at a first temperature and to emit said first gas from said first internal cavity at a second temperature through a second passage; and

a second plate disposed adjacent to said first plate, wherein said second plate defines a second internal cavity configured to receive a second gas through a first passage into said second internal cavity at a first temperature and to emit said gas from said second internal cavity at a second temperature through a second passage.

- 3. (Amended) The system of Claim 2, wherein said second passage comprise a plurality of holes defined on a surface of said first and said second plates.
- 4. (Amended) The system of Claim 2, wherein said first plate and said second plate comprise a heat source for heating said plate to a preselected temperature.
- (Amended) The system of Claim 2, wherein said first gas is taken from 5. the group consisting of N₂, He, H₂, O₂, Ar and gas mixtures containing He, H₂, O₂, Ar and N₂.
- 6. (Amended) The system of Claim 2, wherein said internal cavity further comprises a buffer to disperse said first gas throughout said internal cavity.
 - 7. (Amended) A system for wafer processing comprising: a chamber; and
 - at least one heatable plate positionable within said chamber, including:
- an internal cavity defining an internal wall and configured to receive a gas at a first temperature;

means for heating said internal wall to a preselected temperature; and an outlet portion defining a plurality of holes for emitting said gas at a second temperature.

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- 8. (Amended) A system for wafer processing comprising:
 a chamber; and
 at least one heatable plate positionable within said chamber, including:
 an internal cavity defining an internal wall and configured to receive a gas;
 means for heating said internal wall to a preselected temperature; and
 an outlet portion defining a plurality of holes for emitting said gas; said at least
 one heatable plate including a first heatable plate and a second heatable plate disposed
 having adjacent surfaces configured to receive a wafer therebetween.
- 9. (Amended) The system of Claim 8, wherein said gas is taken from the group consisting of He, H₂, O₂, Ar, N₂ and gas mixtures containing He, H₂, O₂, Ar, and N₃.
- 10. (Amended) The system of Claim 8, wherein said internal cavity further comprises a buffer to disperse said first gas throughout said internal cavity.

Please cancel Claims 11 and 12.

Please add new Claims 13-16.



- -13. (New) The system of Claim 1, wherein said first gas is taken from the group consisting of N_2 , He, H₂, O₂, Ar and gas mixtures containing He, H₂, O₂, Ar and N_2 .
- 14. (New) The system of Claim 1, wherein said internal cavity further comprises a buffer to disperse said first gas throughout said internal cavity.
- 15. (New) The system of Claim 7, wherein said gas is taken from the group consisting of He, H₂, O₂, Ar, N₂ and gas mixtures containing He, H₂, O₂, Ar, and N₂.
- 16. (New) The system of Claim 7, wherein said internal cavity further comprises a buffer to disperse said first gas throughout said internal cavity.--

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